

NHRTL Fights to Prevent Tax Dollar Subsidies to Planned Parenthood

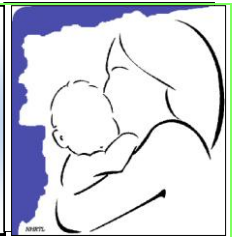
By NHRTL's Attorney,
Michael J. Tierney, Esquire

New Hampshire Right to Life has been actively involved this year in preventing tax dollars from going to support the state's largest abortion provider: Planned Parenthood of Northern New England. For years, Planned Parenthood (PP) has received millions of dollars in Title X funds from both the state of New Hampshire and the federal government. This past summer, three executive councilors: Dan St. Hillaire, Dave Wheeler, and Ray Wiczoreck, courageously voted to stop funding the state's largest abortion provider with taxpayer's dollars. In addition, the councilors asked that the state find health clinics and/or hospitals to be recipients of the federal Title X funds. At least one community health clinic asked to be given the opportunity to submit a bid to obtain the Title X grant funds.

Nevertheless, Senator Jeanne Shaheen intervened and asked the Department of Health and Human Services to immediately provide PP with over a million dollars in Title X funds. The federal department of Health and Human Services complied and sent PP the money without any opportunity for competitive bidding. During the 2008 election cycle, Senator Shaheen had received over \$390,000.00 in campaign contributions from the abortion lobby including from Planned Parenthood Federation of America, Emily's List and NARAL.

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NH Right To Life Annual March For Life Saturday, Jan. 14th 2012 9 am to 3 pm

9 am Memorial Service for the babies dumped at the Concord Landfill Old Turnpike Rd, Concord

10 am Catholic Mass at St. John the Evangelist 72 So. Main St. Concord

11:15 am Rally at the Gold Domed State House Steps

11:45 am March For Life from the Rally past Concord Feminist "health" Center then to St. John the Evangelist to warm up. We will have some carry-in, by donation lunch. Please bring something to share if you can.

1 pm Keynote speaker Kelly Roy from Operation Outcry

Please come and bring a friend!

NHRTL has formally objected to this grant but HHS has failed to respond to NHRTL's protest. Also, NHRTL has made a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Health and Human Services for its communications with PP resulting in this million dollar "bail out." HHS has been stonewalling and delaying production of its communications and it may be necessary to file an action in federal court to force production of these documents. NHRTL is committed to ensuring transparency in government and guaranteeing that funds are not unlawfully diverted to fund abortions at PP.

Kelly Roy, March for Life Speaker, is the Director of Campus Outcry

Campus Outcry is a division of Operation Outcry. Operation Outcry is a Global Justice Ministry seeking to end the pain of abortion in America and around the world.

Operation Outcry is doing Justice by speaking the truth – Abortion Hurts Women, Men and Families. Kelly travels around the nation and internationally reaching a generation with the truth that abortion hurts and also working with others to create and cultivate a culture of life on campuses of this nation and abroad. Campus Outcry has three goals in ending abortion: to speak the truth that abortion hurts through personal testimony, to help establish abortion recovery on campuses and to help establish prayer for the end to abortion on campuses.



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NH Right to Life thanks all the legislators who worked so hard this year to pass parental notification, HB 329. A study by Michael New, an assistant professor of political science at the University of Alabama, studied the effects of informed-consent laws, Medicaid funding rules and parental-notification laws for minors — rules that existed, by 2005, in dozens of states. He found that all three approaches had significant results in certain populations. Parental-notification laws were correlated with a 15 percent decline in in-state abortion rates for minors.

<http://www.lifenews.com/2011/03/28/study-pro-life-parental-notification-laws-reduce-abortions-15/>

We hope this holds true in NH as well, so less women cry, and less babies die. The new law takes effect on January 1, 2012.

Notes from the Assisted Suicide Conference held in Nashua, November 4

There is going to be a ballot initiative to get assisted suicide on the ballot for Nov. 2012 elections in Massachusetts. This will affect NH since many people go to Massachusetts for health care and also Massachusetts has many teaching hospitals. Montana, Washington and Oregon have laws that allow assisted suicide. The lesson learned there is the best argument is "elder abuse". Period. Action needed: Write letters to Boston papers, and alert people you know that live in Massachusetts.

Babies saved in Manchester!

Since August, there have been at least three mothers, that we know of, who came to Planned Parenthood to get an abortion, who changed their minds and chose life! We thank the Teens for Life that came and prayed this summer, as well as all the faithful prayer warriors who pray at home and at the abortion site, begging God to change hearts and save lives. You too can be a part of these miracles! Please keep the sidewalk counselors, abortionists, clinic workers, moms and dads in your prayers every day, but especially on Thursdays. If you can, please join us for an hour at the abortion mill on Thursday anytime from 8 am to 3pm. Please offer Masses for the closing of the abortion mills in our state. Together we can make the womb a safer place for our unborn brothers and sisters.

Work during the week but want to witness at the Manchester abortion mill?

1st Saturday of the month 10 am – noon picket

2nd Saturday of the month, Helpers of God's Precious Infants prayer vigil 8 am Mass St. Joseph Cathedral 8:30 Eucharistic Adoration in Chapel 8:40 Procession to Planned Parenthood 11 am Benediction email John at kofc92@comcast.net

Rochester Life Chain 2011

Holy Rosary Faithful Citizenship Committee, led by Nancy Sirois, held its 2nd annual Life Chain at the Parson Main Park in Rochester on Respect Life Sunday, October 2, 2011.

A Life Chain is a prayer vigil for abortion related issues, usually in a public place, where people simply stand, again usually with pro-life signs, and pray for those involved in abortion-mothers, fathers, babies, abortionists, politicians, etc. Despite the pouring rain, 54 people came out for the babies and to witness that All Human Life is Sacred. Many believe that the rain added to the witness and others a blessing from God.

A Life Chain is an easy way for anyone to make a statement for life. Organizers need only get whatever permits might be necessary and invite people to participate. NHRTL can assist by providing signs and some publicity.



Reflections

By Michael Gagnon

Being part of anything larger than yourself can sometimes make you forget where you came from.

For me, I remember three girls I used to talk with in high school. They told me that the US Supreme Court just decided to legalize Abortion. I had no clue as to what they were talking about and asked them what was Abortion.

They looked at me like I was a complete idiot. I did not know what to say and they were arguing so passionately I decided to stay out of it.

Looking back, if I knew then what I know now, I hope I would have realized it was not one of my better decisions, but I was a kid and did not know the ways of the world. Later in life I met a young woman who said she was going to get an abortion.

Again I said nothing. I rationalized, that it made no matter what I said she would do it anyway, she had the right under the law. That is another decision I regret. Many years later, I heard a request in Church for someone to work on the Respect Life Committee. This opportunity I decided to not pass up.

However, after a couple years and much frustration, it became apparent that this committee would only go so far and only do so much, but it did expose me to people involved in other groups that did more to prevent abortion. In the beginning, I thought a woman should be able to get an abortion if she was raped. I also thought she should be prevented from getting an abortion if the father opposed it. Obviously I needed to learn more about many things, but that is where I started. Abortions for convenience were always very bad.

Over time, I learned that Birth Control Pills do not prevent conception. They cause an immediate abortion! They are not sold that way, so.. Some businesses lie.

I realized based on medical evidence and my faith that the baby is a baby whether in the womb or not. The baby is a separate human being, deserving and worthy of equal protection under the law.

This changed my opinion on permitting an abortion because of rape or permitting an abortion if both parents chose to kill the kid. Nobody has a right to kill an innocent human being.

I also learned that I can't stop abortion myself. It takes more than one person to expose a child to that danger. It will take more than one person to stop it. This is a team effort.

I learned that both prayer and works are needed as an offering to God when asking forgiveness for this sin. I also learned that the only thing that will heal the wounds from personal guilt and regret is forgiveness from God. I am thankful that many people as well as God had patience with me and helped me to understand and deal with the truth.

There remains much work and prayer to be done. You don't have to be perfect, just forgiven.

Did you know there is also a group of people who pray at the Derry Planned Parenthood? They are there to witness to the teens on Wednesdays from 2:30-3:30 pm. Did you know teens can get birth control pills without a parent's knowledge or permission? And most likely, the pills will be subsidized with your tax dollars, since most teens will fall into the low income category! Please pray that God will stop this travesty and give wisdom to these teens. This clinic also refers for abortion and gives out "emergency contraception".

40 Days for Life/ Concord

Catholic parishes in the Concord area organized the first 40 Days for Life campaign at the Feminist “health” Center this fall. Rev. Richard Roberge kicked off the 40 Days with a beautiful Mass and procession down Main Street. The campaign was a huge success and we are thankful for the great showing of prayer volunteers, despite the weather. With 40 Days for Life complete we would like to focus our prayer efforts on **Fridays, abortion day at the Feminist “health” Center in Concord.** We will be holding a prayer vigil every Friday from 7:00am-5:00pm. Young women begin to arrive at the clinic starting at 7:00 am on Fridays and continue to enter and exit for the remainder of the day. It would be wonderful to have a prayerful presence at the clinic throughout the day. If you can not join us in person, please pray wherever you are. Your prayers are urgently needed. If you have any questions please contact Terry Barnum at 228-4778 or mary121@myfairpoint.net



Concord



Greenland

40 Days for Life/ Greenland

Jackie McCoy organized the 5th campaign at the newly re-named Joan G. Lovering “health” Center in Greenland NH. The forty days started on September 28 and ended on November 6. NH Right to Life is so grateful to all who pray on the front lines at the abortion mills in NH. We know these prayers save lives. Since 2007, when the 40 DFL national campaigns started, 5045 lives have been saved (that we know of!), 61 abortion workers have quit their jobs, and 16 abortion facilities have been completely shut down. Although the next campaign doesn’t start until February, you can pray with other prayer warriors in Greenland on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 or Wednesday afternoons at 1 pm.

Novena Prayer to the Infant of Prague

In 2012 the traditional feast of the Infant of Prague, falls on January 22 the anniversary of Roe v. Wade. The traditional devotion to the Infant of Prague dates back to the 16th century. It honors the fact that Jesus came to us as a little child, but that He is also our King. Perhaps in this time period, when children in the womb are viewed as less than human and as being disposable, we should recall this great mystery of the Lord’s Incarnation. Please pray this novena prayer for nine days or more, to end abortion and protect all innocent human life from conception to grave. When you complete the novena, please send your card to NH Right to Life, PO Box 421, Merrimack, NH 03054 by January 10. The card, representing your prayers, will be placed in a box and mailed to Planned Parenthood. Together all the novenas will be a flood of prayers for their workers, whom we hope and pray, will cease participating in the killing of God’s precious unborn children.

I did this novena prayer every day for ____ days, or _____ weeks. My prayers are in union with everyone in the world praying to end abortion.

Signed:

I also prayed _____ Rosaries for an end to abortion

O Jesus, Who has said, “ Ask and you shall receive, Seek and you shall find, Knock and it shall be opened to you,” Through the intercession of Mary, Thy Most Holy Mother, I knock, I seek, I ask That my prayer be granted. (TO END ABORTION)

O Jesus, Who has said, “ All that you ask of the Father in My Name, He will grant you,” Through the intercession of Mary, Thy Most Holy Mother, I humbly and urgently ask Thy Father in Thy Name, that my prayer be granted. (TO END ABORTION)

O Jesus, Who has said, “Heaven and earth shall pass away but My word shall not pass,” Through the intercession of Mary, Thy Most Holy Mother, I feel confident that my prayer will be granted. (TO END ABORTION)

Pro-lifers Like to Live Dangerously?

By Dr. Robert Kaladish

Before the recent vote in Mississippi on a “personhood amendment” to the Mississippi State Constitution, U.S. Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-FL), who is also the head of Democratic National Committee, expressed her opinion on the matter. She said that personhood amendments are “divisive, dangerous and destructive laws” and she also stated that “for the vast majority of Americans including people on both sides of the abortion issue, this is an extreme and radical step”. (See LifeSiteNews.com for further details.)

The radical, extreme, divisive, dangerous and destructive idea that Rep. Wasserman Schultz was trying to protect the State of Mississippi from is the idea that human personhood begins at conception. I do not know if passing high school biology is expected or required of U.S. Representatives but perhaps a short refresher might be worthwhile.

A human sperm has 23 chromosomes and a human egg has 23 chromosomes. When the sperm penetrates and fertilizes the egg (this is traditionally referred to as conception), the chromosomes come together to form a unique creation: a single celled human person that contains a complete set of 46 chromosomes and a unique, individual DNA sequence. This single-celled human person, with the proper biological conditions, will under his or her own innate developmental initiative develop into an adult human person.

The one-celled person becomes a two-celled person and then a four-celled person. The cells keep dividing and soon there is an embryonic person and then a fetal person. After birth there exists a new-born person and then an infant person. The infant becomes a child, then an adolescent and finally an adult person.

To try to break this logical chain of personhood by saying for example that at three months in utero there is now a person but at two months and 29 days (27 days in February?) what exists is not a human person but is only a clump of human cells that can be discarded or experimented upon with no moral or ethical concerns seems to me the wrong way of thinking. I would say that being in favor of abortion, euthanasia and embryonic stem cell research is the radical, extreme, divisive, dangerous and destructive idea.

It is radical and extreme since in our culture killing one’s fellow man is usually considered a crime.

It is divisive since by denying the personhood of some persons in society it deprives those people of their most basic human right, namely the right to live.

It is dangerous and destructive since by denying for some the right to live it puts everyone’s right to live up for question and/or debate. If we can legally abort a child because this is an inconvenient time to have a baby, what prevents us from wondering whether it might be legal to give grandma a lethal injection (whether she wants it not) because she has become inconvenient? If only some lives have value who then decides which lives are worth living? A blue-ribbon commission in Washington appointed by the President?

I think that we need instead to focus on the inherent right to live that the human person brings to society rather than seeing the right to live as something that society gives to the individual. Personhood amendments in reality just serve to remind government of this reality. Respect for the dignity of man and the right to pursue life are the founding values of our country. It is truly a tragedy that some people in our society see these values as somehow dangerous.

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New Hampshire Right To Life is a volunteer organization that operates on a shoestring. Every dollar of your donations helps us fight for the right to life of the unborn, and to educate the public about the terrible effects of abortion on society, mothers, and precious children. We ask your prayers and your generosity throughout the year, as well as during the Christmas season. Thanks in advance. Merry Christmas!

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